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ELLSWORTH

NEW HAMPSHIRE



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YEAR ENDING

December 31, 1964

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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
OFFICERS
OF THE
Town of Ellsworth, N. H.

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

Allie E. Batchelder

Town Clerk

Ida M. Clark

Selectmen

Allie E. Batchelder

Ralph M. Batchelder

Dorothy C. Batchelder

Treasurer

Ida M. Clark

Tax Collector

Stella F. Batchelder

Road Agent

Stanley E. Batchelder

Auditor

Theresa M. Batchelder

Supervisor of the Check List

Stella F. Batchelder

Theresa M. Batchelder

Stanley E. Batchelder

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Ellsworth in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Ellsworth on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Highways and Bridges.

4. To see if the town will vote to qualify for T. R. A. and raise and appropriate \$64.59 for same.

5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the town officers and make appropriations of the same.

6. To see if the Town will vote to support the White Mountain Regions Association and raise and appropriate \$8.67 for same.

7. To see if the Town will vote to have inventory blanks distributed at the time of taking inventory.

8. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for employees' Social Security.

9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

10. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Town House.

11. To see what action the town will vote to take relative to a previous vote pertaining to the Town House.

12. To see what wages the Town will vote to pay for highway labor.

13. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 8th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-five.

ALLIE E. BATCHELDER
RALPH M. BATCHELDER
DOROTHY BATCHELDER

Selectmen of Ellsworth

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ALLIE E. BATCHELDER
RALPH M. BATCHELDER
DOROTHY BATCHELDER

Selectmen of Ellsworth

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ELLSWORTH
Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the
Ensuing Year January 1, 1965 to December 31, 1965
 Compared with
Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and
Expenditures of the Previous Year, January 1, 1964
to December 31, 1964

SOURCES OF REVENUE

| | Actual Revenue Previous Year 1964 | Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1965 |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| From State: | | |
| Savings Bank Tax | \$.29 | \$.29 |
| For Fighting Forest Fires | 51.87 | |
| National Forest Reserve | 584.78 | 300.00 |
| From Local Sources Except Taxes: | | |
| Dog Licenses | 6.60 | 6.60 |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 40.96 | 40.96 |
| Cash Surplus | | 404.45 |
| From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes: | | |
| Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2 | 12.00 | 12.00 |
| Yield Taxes | 255.92 | 50.00 |
| Total Revenues from All Sources | | |
| Except Property Taxes | \$952.42 | 814.30 |
| *Amt. to be Raised by Property Taxes | | 4,133.96 |
| Total Revenues | | \$4,948.26 |

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

| | Actual Expendi. Previous Year 1964 | Estimated Expendi. Ensuing Year 1965 |
|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Current Maintenance Expenses: | | |
| General Government: | | |
| Town Officers' Salaries | \$ 299.90 | \$ 300.00 |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 534.42 | 600.00 |
| Election and Registration Exp. | 120.00 | 120.00 |
| Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings | 62.30 | 100.00 |
| Employees' Retirement and Social Security | 143.55 | 100.00 |
| Protection of Persons and Property: | | |
| Fire Department | 420.70 | |
| Highways and Bridges: | | |
| Town Maintenance — Summer and Winter | 3,110.15 | 3,500.00 |
| General Expenses of Highway Department | 196.02 | |
| Town Road Aid | 65.07 | 64.59 |
| Public Service Enterprises: | | |
| Advertising & Regional Assoc. | 8.67 | 8.67 |
| Interest: | | |
| On Temporary Loans | 41.67 | 50.00 |
| County Taxes | 197.12 | 225.00 |
| | \$5,199.57 | \$5,068.26 |

INVENTORY

| | |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Real Estate | \$120,655.00 |
| Electric Lines and Equipment | 6,530.00 |
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| TOTAL VALUATION | \$127,185.00 |

TAXES LEVIED FOR ALL PURPOSES

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| To defray Town Charges | \$ 600.00 |
| Employees' Social Security | 100.00 |
| Town House | 100.00 |
| Highways and Bridges | 3,200.00 |
| T. R. A. | 65.07 |
| Town Officers' Salaries | 300.00 |
| White Mt. Regions Association | 8.67 |
| County Tax | 197.12 |
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| TOTAL | \$4,570.86 |

Tax Rate \$2.84 per \$100.00

RECEIPTS

From Local Sources:

| | |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| 1964 Property Tax | \$ 3,336.85 |
| 1964 Poll Tax | 8.00 |
| 1964 Yield Tax | 255.92 |
| 1964 Head Tax | 25.00 |
| 1964 Interest Collected | 1.12 |
| 1963 Property Tax | 316.46 |
| 1963 Overpayments | 2.11 |
| 1963 Interest | 6.32 |

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|-------|------------|
| Total | \$3,951.78 |
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From State:

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|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Class V Highway | \$ 351.01 |
| Savings Bank Tax | .29 |
| 1963 Reimbursement a/c Forest Land | 349.10 |
| National Forest Reserve Fund | 584.78 |
| One-half Fire Patrol Cost | 51.87 |
| Bounties | 2.00 |

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|-------|------------|
| Total | \$1,339.05 |
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From Local Sources Except Taxes:

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Dog Licenses | \$ 6.60 |
| Pistol Permit | 2.00 |
| Motor Vehicle Permits | 40.96 |

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| Total | \$ 49.56 |
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Temporary Loans:

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Pemigewasset National Bank | \$ 2,000.00 |
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Security For Yield Tax:

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|------------|-----------|
| Edwin Ladd | \$ 250.00 |
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| Total Receipts From All Sources | \$ 7,590.39 |
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|------------------------------|--------|
| Cash on Hand January 1, 1964 | 196.70 |
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| Total | \$ 7,787.09 |
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EXPENDITURES

Town Officers' Salaries:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Dorothy C. Batchelder, selectman | \$ 55.00 |
| Allie E. Batchelder, selectman | 44.90 |
| Ralph M. Batchelder, selectman | 35.00 |
| Ida M. Clark, town clerk | 50.00 |
| Ida M. Clark, town treasurer | 50.00 |
| Stella F. Batchelder, tax collector | 50.00 |
| Theresa M. Batchelder, auditor | 15.00 |

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| Total | \$ 299.90 |
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Town Officers' Expenses:

| | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Noyes Insurance Agency Bonds | \$ 35.00 |
| Allie Batchelder, attending tax meetings | 30.00 |
| Allie Batchelder, going over land | 40.00 |
| Allie Batchelder, mileage, postage, telephone and supplies | 73.50 |
| Dorothy Batchelder, attending Tax meeting | 10.00 |
| Ida M. Clark, postage and fees | 6.66 |
| Stella F. Batchelder, attending tax meetings | 25.00 |
| Stella F. Batchelder, supplies and postage | 22.50 |
| Stella F. Batchelder, expenses and fees | 35.00 |
| Stella F. Batchelder, clerical work | 56.30 |
| Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies | 38.66 |
| Sargent Brothers, printing tax bills | 8.60 |
| G. R. Laughner, dues to Town Clerks' Association | 3.00 |
| Ida H. Rowell, dues to Tax Collectors' Association | 3.00 |
| Ralph M. Batchelder, selectman's expenses | 20.00 |
| Ralph M. Batchelder, attending tax meetings | 25.00 |
| Record Print, printing town reports | 78.60 |
| Charles Wood, transfers and title search | 4.85 |
| Theresa M. Batchelder, attending tax meeting | 15.00 |
| Pemigewasset National Bank Service Charge | 3.75 |

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| Total | \$ 534.42 |
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Regional Associations:

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|----------------------------------|----|------|
| White Mt. Regions, appropriation | \$ | 8.67 |
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Election and Registration:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|----|-------|
| Allie E. Batchelder, moderator | \$ | 25.00 |
| Stanley E. Batchelder, supervisor | | 25.00 |
| Stella F. Batchelder, supervisor | | 25.00 |
| Theresa M. Batchelder, supervisor | | 25.00 |
| Ida M. Clark, clerk | | 20.00 |

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| Total | \$ | 120.00 |
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Town House:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|----|-------|
| Allie E. Batchelder, labor | \$ | 15.00 |
| Noyes Insurance Agency, insurance | | 17.30 |
| N. H. Electric Coop., lights | | 30.00 |

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| Total | \$ | 62.30 |
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County:

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|------------------------------------|----|--------|
| County Tax, Lawrence Colby, treas. | \$ | 197.12 |
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Fire Department:

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|-------------------------------------|----|--------|
| Allie Batchelder: | | |
| Putting up and removing Ban posters | \$ | 20.00 |
| Watchman at Avery Fire | | 18.00 |
| Campton Volunteer Fire Dept.: | | |
| Conkey car fire 1962 | | 38.75 |
| W. B. Avery fire | | 343.95 |

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|-------|----|--------|
| Total | \$ | 420.70 |
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Refunds:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----|-------|
| Warren and Evelyn Riel | | |
| Overpayment tax | \$ | 1.11 |
| Robert Hughes, overpayment tax | | 1.00 |
| Edwin Ladd, refund on Tax security | | 48.08 |

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|-------|----|-------|
| Total | \$ | 50.19 |
|-------|----|-------|

Payment a/c E. Ladd Tax Security:

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|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Stella F. Batchelder, Tax Collector Yield Tax | \$ 201.92 |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|

Interest:

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|----------------------------|----------|
| Pemigewasset National Bank | \$ 41.67 |
|----------------------------|----------|

Paid On Temporary Loans:

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Pemigewasset National Bank | \$ 2,000.00 |
|----------------------------|-------------|

Paid To State:

| | |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Social Security | \$ 143.55 |
| State Head Tax | 22.50 |
| Bond and Debt Retirement Tax | 42.67 |
| T. R. A. | 65.07 |

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|-------|-----------|
| Total | \$ 273.79 |
|-------|-----------|

Highways and Bridges:

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Summer | \$ 2,026.77 |
| Winter | 887.36 |
| Class V Highway | 351.01 |
| General Expenses Highway Dept. | 196.02 |

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|-------|-------------|
| Total | \$ 3,461.16 |
|-------|-------------|

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|---------------------------------|------------|
| Total Payments For All Purposes | \$7,671.84 |
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ROAD AGENTS ACCOUNT

| | |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Available For Highway Use | |
| Special Highway Fund | \$ 500.00 |
| 1964 Appropriation | 3,200.00 |
| Class V Highway | 351.01 |
| National Forest Reserve Fund | 584.78 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total From All Sources | \$ 4,635.79 |
| Total Payments | 3,461.16 |
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| Unexpended Balance | \$ 1,174.63 |
| Expenditures | |
| Winter Account: | |
| Allie E. Batchelder, labor | \$ 536.83 |
| Harold Edgell, plowing snow | 275.50 |
| Ralph Batchelder, labor | 65.71 |
| Campton Sand & Gravel Co., sand | 9.32 |
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| Total | \$ 887.36 |
| Summer Account: | |
| Allie Batchelder, labor and use of equipment | \$ 1,037.14 |
| Ralph Batchelder, labor and use of equipment | 488.63 |
| Stanley Batchelder, labor and truck use | 89.10 |
| Harold Edgell, hauling gravel | 187.00 |
| Arnold Batchelder, labor | 7.25 |
| Raymond Keniston, bridge plank | 33.18 |
| Campton Sand and Gravel Co., gravel | 184.47 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | \$ 2,026.77 |
| General Expenses Highway Department: | |
| Allie E. Batchelder, supplies, expenses and mileage | \$ 166.02 |
| Ralph Batchelder, mileage | 30.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | \$ 196.02 |

Class V. Highway:

| | |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Allie E. Batchelder, labor | \$ 62.89 |
| Ralph Batchelder, labor and equipment use | 78.12 |
| Harold Edgell, hauling gravel | 100.00 |
| Campton Sand and Gravel Co., gravel | 110.00 |
| Total | <hr/> \$ 351.01 |

STANLEY E. BATCHELDER, Road Agent

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Dr.

| | |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| 1964 Automobile Permits | \$ 40.96 |
| Dog Licenses | 7.00 |
| Total | <hr/> \$ 47.96 |

Cr.

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|---------------------------|----------------|
| Remittances to Treasurer | \$ 47.56 |
| Dog License Fees retained | .40 |
| Total | <hr/> \$ 47.96 |

IDA M. CLARK, Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Levy Of 1963

Summary Of Warrant

Dr.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Uncollected as of January 1, 1964 | \$ 316.46 |
| Overpayment of Tax | 2.11 |
| Interest Collected | 6.32 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total Debits | \$ 324.89 |

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

| | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Property Tax | \$ 316.46 |
| Overpayment | 2.11 |
| Interest Collected | 6.32 |
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|-------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Total Credits | \$ 324.89 |
| Uncollected as per Collector's list—None. | |

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

State Head Tax

Levy of 1964

Dr.

| | |
|------------------|----------|
| Original Warrant | \$ 35.00 |
| Added Tax | 0 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total Debits | \$ 35.00 |

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

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|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Head Tax | \$ 25.00 |
| Uncollected as per Collector's List | 10.00 |
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| Total Credits | \$ 35.00 |

SUMMARY OF WARRANT
Property, Poll and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1964

Dr.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

| | |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Property Taxes | \$ 3,612.05 |
| Poll Taxes | 12.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total Warrant | \$ 3,624.05 |
| Yield Taxes | 255.92 |
| Interest Collected | 1.12 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total Debits | \$ 3,881.09 |

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

| | |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Property Taxes | \$ 3,336.85 |
| Poll Taxes | 8.00 |
| Yield Taxes | 255.92 |
| Interest Collected | 1.12 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total | \$ 3,601.89 |

Uncollected as Per Collector's List:

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| Property Tax | \$ 275.20 |
| Poll Tax | 4.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total | \$ 279.20 |
| Total Credits | \$3,881.09 |

STELLA F. BATCHELDER
Tax Collector

FINANCIAL REPORT

Assets

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Cash in the hands of the Treasurer | \$115.25 |
| Uncollected Taxes, Levy 1964 | 279.20 |
| Uncollected Head Tax, Levy 1964 | 10.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total Assets | \$404.45 |

Liabilities

None
Net Surplus—\$404.45

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

THERESA M. BATCHELDER
Auditor

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND YOUR DISTRICT CHIEF

The 1964 forest fire season surpassed the record year of 1963 in both length and severity. For the second successive year, we experienced a rainfall deficiency of more than ten inches and the compounding of such drought conditions, together with the many days of strong, dry winds, characterized 1964 as one of the most hazardous years in the past half century. Although our fire season was three weeks longer than that of 1963, the number of fires showed only a slight increase and more remarkable was the fact that the area burned dropped from 2280 acres in 1963 to 900 acres in 1964. Early detection and rapid response kept many potential fire disasters from becoming reality. We all owe a debt of gratitude to the men in this community who responded and fought our fires so efficiently. Our state is now 86% wooded and its economy - both industrial and recreational - is greatly dependent on this forest resource. The responsibility for adequate fire protection of this great area — 4,350,000 acres is everyone's responsibility and prevention is one of our most effective tools.

Prevention is good common sense.

1. Take your rubbish to the town dump. If you must burn, obtain a permit and watch your fire until it is dead out.
2. Instruct your children in fire safety. Keep matches from young children. Explain to them the dangers of lighting matches and making outdoor fires.
3. Be sure discarded smoking material and matches are out.

A major portion of our preventable fires this year are chargeable to three causes: (1) permit fires allowed to escape; (2) children playing with matches; and (3) smokers. Let's be mindful of the fact that all such fires endanger property and lives.

We wish to thank you for your very fine cooperation during the past fire season and with your continued cooperation we are confident we can improve our fire record in 1965.

Number of fires and burned area in 1964

| | Fires | Area-Acres |
|----------|--------------|-------------------|
| State | 886 | 875 |
| District | 78 | 112 |
| Town | 0 | 0 |

GERALD GROSS
District Chief

ALLIE E. BATCHELDER
Warden

Notes

